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MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Contract No. SC-21-54, The Perkin-Elmer Corporation - Ground Support Equipment

1. At the time Contract No. SC-21-54 was negotiated, the final requirements with respect to ground handling equipment were not known in precise enough detail to contract for this equipment. Consequently, this matter was left out of the contract with the understanding it would be added later by Change Order.
2. Subsequently, the outlines of the major items required became known, especially with respect to items required for the photographic shop at Watertown, and with respect to certain major components, and designs thereof, and limited procurement was initiated by Letter Contract for Change Order No. 1 to Contract No. SC-21-54. Amount obligated thereunder was \$100,000, FY 1955 funds.
3. The contractor and subcontractor (Hycon Mfg. Company) have progressed under such Change Order to the point where agreement has been reached with headquarters project personnel that an additional increment of procurement is possible. Accordingly, this Amendment No. 1 authorizes an additional \$150,000 of procurement.
4. The revised concept of the ground handling equipment needed for support of the photographic portion of the operation is detailed in "Aerial Surveying Equipment, Ground Support Operations and Equipment," dated 1 September 1955. This is a revised edition of a similar document dated 18 June 1955 which latter document was the basis of the limited procurement authorized under the Letter Contract for Change Order No. 1.
5. This revised edition was the subject of analysis and review at a meeting held in project headquarters on 19 September 1955, attended by Mr. [redacted] of the Hycon Mfg. Company and Mr. Richard M. Bissell, jr., [redacted] of the project headquarters staff. At this meeting, certain items over and above those approved for the previous limited procurement were approved for procurement and still others were held in abeyance for further study with subsequent determination as to procurement action.
6. In summary, as a result of this Amendment, \$250,000 will be obligated toward the ground handling equipment. Ultimate cost of such equipment

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will be approximately \$375,000. When final decisions are made as to all equipment desired, a definitive Change Order will be issued to Contract No. SC-21-54 and the final target prices of such contract adjusted accordingly. As of the present time, additional specifications are due from the Contractor and when these are received, final decisions can be made. It is anticipated that these final technical decisions can be made by approximately 1 October 1955 and a definitive Change Order issued about 15 October 1955.



Contracting Officer

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